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Below is a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application

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ADVISORY ACTION

THE PERIOD FOR RESPONSE:

a) is extended to run _____ or continues to run _____ from the date of the final rejection
b) expires three months from the date of the final rejection or as of the mailing date of this Advisory Action, whichever is later. In no event however, will the statutory period for the response expire later than six months from the date of the final rejection.

Any extension of time must be obtained by filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a), the proposed response and the appropriate fee. The date on which the response, the petition, and the fee have been filed is the date of the response and also the date for the purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. Any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 will be calculated from the date of the originally set shortened statutory period for response or as set forth in b) above.

Appellant's Brief is due in accordance with 37 CFR 1.192(a). *with certificate of mailing dated 07/10/01,*
 Applicant's response to the final rejection, filed 07/12/01 *x* has been considered with the following effect, but it is not deemed to place the application in condition for allowance:

1. The proposed amendments to the claim and/or specification will not be entered and the final rejection stands because:
 - a. There is no convincing showing under 37 CFR 1.116(b) why the proposed amendment is necessary and was not earlier presented.
 - b. They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. (See Note).
 - c. They raise the issue of new matter. (See Note).
 - d. They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal.
 - e. They present additional claims without cancelling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: *Proposed amended claim 29 contains limitation not present in finally rejected claims - requires further consideration at least under 35 USC 103. New claims 64-84 also require further consideration as they are all in addition to finally rejected claims and previously allowed claims.*

2. Newly proposed or amended claims _____ would be allowed if submitted in a separately filed amendment cancelling the non-allowable claims.
3. Upon the filing an appeal, the proposed amendment will be entered will not be entered and the status of the claims will be as follows:

Claims allowed: 31, 35 and 57-63
Claims objected to: None
Claims rejected: 29, 30, 302-34 and 54-56 for reasons of record.

However:

Applicant's response has overcome the following rejection(s): _____

4. The affidavit, exhibit or request for reconsideration has been considered but does not overcome the rejection because *applicants' traversal of prior art rejection is based on limitation not found in the finally rejected claims, and amendment adding that limitation*
5. The affidavit or exhibit will not be considered because applicant has not shown good and sufficient reasons why it was not earlier presented. *will not be entered upon filing an appeal.*

The proposed drawing correction has has not been approved by the examiner.
 Other

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